

Proposed Bill No. 5201

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LCO No. 397

Referred to Committee on Banks

Introduced by: REP. STRIPP, 135th Dist.

AN ACT PROVIDING RELIEF TO HOMEOWNERS IN FORECLOSURE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That the general statutes be amended to permit the state to
- 2 guarantee first mortgage loans that enter foreclosure proceedings
- 3 between July 1, 2009, and June 30, 2011, provided (1) the bank adjusts
- 4 the interest rate on any such first mortgage loan to be equal to the
- 5 United States Treasury rate of a similar term plus two and one-half per
- 6 cent; (2) such guarantees shall be available only to mortgages held by
- 7 banks regulated by the state; (3) such guarantees shall not exceed an
- 8 aggregate amount of one hundred million dollars in mortgage value;
- 9 (4) borrowers of such guaranteed mortgages shall meet all
- 10 qualification requirements established by the Connecticut Housing
- 11 Finance Authority, except the requirement that the borrower be a first
- 12 time homebuyer; and (5) the program shall be managed by the
- 13 Connecticut Housing Finance Authority within available
- 14 appropriations.

Statement of Purpose:

To provide relief at no cost to homeowners who are in foreclosure.